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SUBJECT: UNGA CONSULTATIONS WITH NIGERIA

SUMMARY: DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY DALLEY AND  
DR. HOLLOWAY EXCHANGED VIEWS WITH MEA INTERNATIONAL  
ORGANIZATION DIRECTOR SANU ON A NUMBER OF ISSUES  
WHICH MIGHT ARISE AT THE FORTHCOMING UNGA. SANU  
INDICATED THAT IN GENERAL THE GOVERNMENT OF NIGERIA  
WOULD NOT DEVIATE FROM THE POSITIONS TAKEN BY  
THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT IN HAVANA AND AT THE  
UPCOMING BELGRADE MEETING. ON SOUTHERN AFRICA  
ISSUES NIGERIA WOULD CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE  
WESTERN INITIATIVES IN RHODESIA AND NAMIBIA, BUT  
FEELS THAT THE PATRIOTIC FRONT AND SWAPO HAVE  
CONCEDED ENOUGH AND IT IS UP TO THE WEST TO INCREASE  
THE PRESSURE ON SMITH AND VORSTER. SANU EXPRESSED  
HIS OPPOSITION TO NIGERIA TAKING THE LEAD ON HUMAN  
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RIGHTS ISSUES IN THE UNITED NATIONS AND SAID HE  
HOPE THE NIGERIAN DELEGATION TO THE UN HUMAN  
RIGHTS COMMISSION HAD NOT PROMISED MORE THAN IT  
COULD DELIVER. SANU REACTED STRONGLY TO THE  
IDEA THAT THE US WILL NOT TAKE PART IN THE DECADE  
ON RACISM CONFERENCE IN GENEVA. HE SAID THAT THE  
AFRICAN STATES HAD WORKED WITH THE WEST TO REMOVE

THE IMPEDIMENTS TO WESTERN PARTICIPATION IN THE DECADE AND NIGERIA HAD PREVENTED A LINKAGE FROM BEING MADE BETWEEN RACISM AND ZIONISM AT THE AUGUST 1977 ANTI-APARTHEID CONFERENCE IN LAGOS; HOWEVER, NIGERIA WOULD NOT "STICK ITS NECK OUT" IN GENEVA IF THE US WERE NOT EVEN PRESENT. END SUMMARY.

1. DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY DALLEY, DR. ANNE HOLLOWAY, AND AN EMBASSY OFFICER MET WITH MEA INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION DIRECTOR SANU ON JUNE 20 FOR A DISCUSSION OF RESPECTIVE POSITIONS ON ISSUES WHICH MIGHT ARISE AT THE NEXT UNGA. THE FOLLOWING TOPICS WERE COVERED.

2. THE MIDDLE EAST: DALLEY NOTED THAT IN THE PAST UNGA RESOLUTIONS HAD SOMETIMES MADE THE NEGOTIATION PROCESS IN THE MIDDLE EAST MORE DIFFICULT AND EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT NOTHING WOULD OCCUR AT THE FORTHCOMING SESSION WHICH WOULD HINDER THE ONGOING NEGOTIATION PROCESS. THE USG WAS ALSO HOPEFUL THAT THE DEBATE WOULD NOT BECOME POLEMICAL. SANU REPLIED THAT WE WOULD BE GOING TO THE UNGA IN THE WAKE OF NAM MEETINGS IN HAVANA AND BELGRADE. IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT FOR NIGERIAN AND OTHER NAM NATIONS NOT TO MAKE STATEMENTS IN LINE WITH POSITIONS  
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REACHED AT THOSE MEETINGS. IN SANU'S VIEW, ISRAEL HAD BEEN "INTRANSIGENT" FOLLOWING THE SADAT VISIT AND HAD EVEN "HARDENED" ITS POSITION. IT WOULD BE OPTIMISTIC NOT TO EXPECT POLEMICS ON THE MIDDLE EAST THIS YEAR."

3. DISARMAMENT: DALLEY ASKED FOR NIGERIA'S VIEWS ON THE UN SPECIAL SESSION. HE INDICATED THE US COMMITMENT TO PROGRESS AT THE SPECIAL SESSION ON ISSUES SUCH AS CONVENTIONAL ARMS TRANSFERS AND NON-PROLIFERATION AND NOTED THE NEGATIVE IMPACT OF POLITICALLY-MOTIVATED RESOLUTIONS LIKE THE IRAQI CONDEMNATION OF ISRAEL ON THE AMERICAN PUBLIC WHICH DESTROY THE CREDIBILITY OF THE SESSION. THE U.S. HOPED THAT CONSTRUCTIVE PROPOSALS SUCH AS THAT MADE BY NIGERIA AT THE 32ND UNGA CALLING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN AFRICAN NUCLEAR WEAPONS FREE ZONE WOULD BE THE FOCUS OF THE SSOD RATHER THAN SUCH POLITICAL RESOLUTIONS. SANU RESPONDED THAT POLITICAL RESOLUTIONS WERE A SMALL MINORITY AND CAUTIONED AGAINST OVERREACTION TO THEM. SANU WISHED TO KNOW USG VIEWS ON CCD RESTRUCTURING.

DALLEY REPLIED THAT THE USG DID NOT FAVOR EXPANSION OF CCD AT THIS TIME BUT COULD SUPPORT IT IF IT SHOWED PROMISE OF BEING PRODUCTIVE. SANU COMMENTED THAT NO PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE ON DISARMAMENT SINCE 1948 AND SUGGESTED THAT 5-7 STATES SHOULD BE ADDED REPRESENTING THE VARIOUS REGIONS. SANU ASKED ABOUT THE STATUS OF THE NIGERIAN PROPOSAL THAT 15 TO 20 PEOPLE FROM DEVELOPING NATIONS RECEIVE TECHNICAL TRAINING TO PROVIDE EXPERTISE ON DISARMAMENT ISSUE. DALLEY SAID HE WAS NOT AWARE OF THE US POSITION ON THE NIGERIAN PROPOSAL BUT WOULD ASK WASHINGTON TO COMMUNICATE OUR POSITION TO SANU THROUGH EMBASSY LAGOS AND TO THE NIGERIAN DELEGATION TO THE SSOD  
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THROUGH USUN. DALLEY INDICATED THAT HE EXPECTED A FAVORABLE RESPONSE TO THIS PROPOSAL SINCE IT WAS CONSISTENT WITH THE US OFFER TO CONSIDER JOINT REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE WITH VERIFICATION AND STABILIZING MEASURES FROM COUNTRIES THAT WANT SUCH MONITORING SERVICES.

4. SOUTH AFRICAN NUCLEAR CAPABILITY: SANU RECALLED THE REPLACEMENT OF SOUTH AFRICA BY EGYPT, ...

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AS THE AFRICAN REPRESENTATIVE ON THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE IAEA AND SAID THAT HE WAS SURPRISED AND DISAPPOINTED THAT THE USG NOW WANTED SA BACK ON THE BOARD. DALLEY RESPONDED THAT THE USG IS CONCERNED BY THE SA BURGEONING NUCLEAR DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM AND FEELS THAT NUCLEAR ISOLATION OF SOUTH AFRICA WILL MAKE THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY IN SOUTH AFRICA MORE LIKELY. IAEA HAS A ROLE TO PLAY IN OBTAINING SOUTH AFRICAN AGREEMENT TO THE NPT AND APPLYING SAFEGUARDS TO SOUTH AFRICAN NUCLEAR FACILITIES. HOLLOWAY ADDED THAT THE USG HOPES TO FORESTALL THE DEVELOPMENT OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS BY SA. SANU REPLIED THA THE US POSITION AGAINST THE ISLOACTION OF SOUTH AFRICA UNDERMINES ONE OF THE FUNDAMENTAL PILLARS OF THE OAU'S POLICY AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA. THE LOGIC OF THE US ARGUMENT WOULD MEAN THAT SOUTH AFRICA SHOULD BE A MEMBER OF THE ILO IN ORDER TO SEE  
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THAT LABOR STANDARDS ARE IMPROVED. DALLEY RESPONDED THAT IT IS USEFUL TO HAVE SOUTH AFRICA SUBJECT TO ILO CONVENTIONS. SANU CONTINUED THAT THE WESTERN POWERS CAN AND SHOULD INFLUENCE SOUTH AFRICAN NUCLEAR DEVELOPMENT ON A BILATERAL BASIS. BOTH SIDES AGREED THAT THE PROBLEM REFLECTED A FUNDAMENTAL DIFFERENCE IN POLICY BETWEEN THE US AND NIGERIA ON THE EFFECTIVENESS OF ISOLATING SOUTH AFRICA AS A MEANS OF INFLUENCING A CHANGE IN ITS POLICIES. SANU ADDED THAT HE HAD UNDERSTANDING FOR THAT ASPECT OF US POLICY WHICH WAS AIMED AT GETTING LEVERAGE ON SOUTH AFRICA TO AFFECT POSITIVE CHANGE ON SOUTHERN AFRICA ISSUES.

5. RHODESIA: HOLLOWAY BRIEFLY SURVEYED THE CURRENT SITUATION NOTING MALTA II AND EXPRESSING OUR HOPE TO CONVENE AN ALL-PARTIES MEETING SO THAT A CONTINUING PROCESS OF NEGOTIATIONS COULD NARROW THE GAP BETWEEN THE PARTIES. SANU SAID HE WAS DISAPPOINTED THAT NOT ENOUGH PRESSURE HAD BEEN BROUGHT TO BEAR UPON SMITH. THE PF IS WILLING TO GO TO AN ALL-PARTIES MEETING BUT THE OTHER SIDE IS NOT. HE ADDED THAT NIGERIA CONTINUES TO SUPPORT THE ANGLO-AMERICAN PLAN GENERALLY, "HOW LONG THAT WILL LAST, I DON'T KNOW." HOLLOWAY COMMENTED THAT SMITH HAS SHIELDED HIMSELF INSIDE

THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MAKING IT MORE DIFFICULT THAN BEFORE TO APPLY PRESSURE. SANU SAID THE OAU WOULD PROBABLY ENDORSE THE CONVENING OF AN ALL-PARTIES CONFERENCE IF THE PATRIOTIC FRONT WANTED IT TO.

6. NAMIBIA: HOLLOWAY NOTED THE EFFECT OF SOUTH  
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AFRICA'S RECENT RAID INTO ANGOLA AND MENTIONED THE REMAINING ISSUES OF TROOP PLACEMENT AND WALVIS BAY. SHE EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT THE FMG WOULD CONTINUE TO ENCOURAGE SWAPO TOWARD A SETTLEMENT AS THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE PARTIES WERE NARROWED. SANU REPLIED THAT NIGERIAN POLICY IS UNCHANGED; HOWEVER, SWAPO THINKS THEY ARE BEING PUSHED TOO HARD. WE MUST BE CAUTIOUS. THE WEST MUST DO MORE TO PRESSURE SOUTH AFRICA. IF THE WEST HAD DONE THIS, IT MIGHT HAVE PREVENTED THE ATTACK ON CASSINGA. THE FMG SUPPORTS THE CG PLAN BUT DOUBTS SOUTH AFRICA'S SINCERITY AFTER THE RAID.

7. CYPRUS: DALLEY NOTED THAT THE USG HOPES TO GET THE INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS STARTED AGAIN. POINTING TO THE COST OF PEACEKEEPING FORCES IN THE UN BUDGET, HE SAID HE HOPED THAT OTHER STATES WILL INCREASE THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS. SANU OBSERVED THAT NIGERIAN POLICY WAS BASED ON NAM SUPPORT FOR THE TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF CYPRUS. AS FOR THE EXPENSE OF PEACEKEEPING FORCES, IT WAS ONLY FAIR THAT THE WESTERN NATIONS PAY THE BILL BECAUSE THEY ARE NORMALLY IN THE INTEREST OF DEVELOPED COUNTRIES. IF THE UN PEACEKEEPING FORCE WAS NOT THERE, YOUR TROOPS WOULD HAVE TO BE.

8. UN FINANCING: CONCERNING US CRITICISM OF THE UN BUDGET, SA UEE SANU SAID IT IGNORED THE ROLE OF INFLATION AND THE EXACERBATION OF THE IMPACT OF INFLATION CAUSED BY THE PRESENCE OF THE UN IN NEW YORK CITY. SANU FURTHER CHIDED US ON THE UNILATERAL US LIMITATION OF ITS CONTRIBUTION TO 25 PERCENT OF THE BUDGET. THIS SETS A VERY NEGATIVE PRECEDENT THAT WOULD BANKRUPT THE UN IF FOLLOWED BY OTHERS. THE US SHOULD BE PAYING ITS FULL  
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ASSESSED SHARE. HE WAS PROUD THAT NIGERIA HAD NEVER DEFAULTED ON ITS PEACEKEEPING OR OTHER FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS, BUT NIGERIA WAS OPPOSED TO PAYING MORE.

9. PUERTO RICO: DALLEY POINTED TO THE FACT THAT PR FREELY EXERCISES ITS RIGHT TO SELF-DETERMINATION AND SAID WE HOPED THE COMMITTEE OF 24 WOULD AGAIN REFUSE TO SEND THE ISSUE TO THE UNGA. UN DEBATE ON THE SUBJECT WOULD HAVE A NEGATIVE PUBLIC REACTION IN THE US THAT WOULD IMPERIL U.S. INVOLVEMENT IN CONSTRUCTIVE UN EFFORTS SUCH AS SOUTHERN AFRICA. HE HOPED THAT IT WOULD NOT ARISE IN THE FORTHCOMING SESSION. SANU SAID HE COULD NOT SEE ANY DEVIATION OF FMG POLICY FROM THE NAM; HOWEVER, THE USG MIGHT EXPECT SOME AFRICAN COUNTRIES TO MAKE RESERVATIONS AT BELGRADE AS OUR FRIENDS HAD DONE IN HAVANA.

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10. GUAM: DALLEY NOTED THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE PR SITUATION AND GUAM AND SAID THAT WE EXPECTED THE COMMITTEE OF 24 TO NOTE THE SCHEDULING OF A REFERENDUM TO ADOPT A LOCAL CONSTITUTION IN NOVEMBER OF THIS YEAR. SANU

NOTED THE USG POSITION.

11. KOREA: DALLEY OBSERVED THAT IT HAD NOT COME UP AT THE LAST SESSION AND HOPED IT WOULD NOT BE A TOPIC AT THIS SESSION. SANU SAID HE UNDERSTOOD THAT NEITHER THE NORTH OR THE SOUTH WANTS IT DISCUSSED, SO IT WON'T BE RAISED.

12. HUMAN RIGHTS: SANU SAID HE HOPED THE NIGERIAN UN DELEGATION DID NOT PROMISE MORE THAN IT CAN DELIVER ON ITS RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A REGIONAL HR COMMISSION IN THE OAU. IT IS PERHAPS BETTER TO START PUSHING SUCH IDEAS AT THE BOTTOM, I.E., IN THE OAU,  
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RATHER THAN AT THE TOP. DALLEY REMINDED SANU THAT THE NIGERIAN RESOLUTION HAD ONLY CALLED UPON THE UN SECRETARIAT TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TOWARD ESTABLISHING A REGIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION IF REQUESTED BY THE OAU. RECALLING THE 1973 HUMAN RIGHTS SEMINAR IN DAR HAD MADE A SIMILAR REQUEST, DALLEY SAID THE IDEA WAS NOT NEW AND PERHAPS NOW WAS THE TIME TO MAKE PROGRESS. WOULD NIGERIA BE RAISING THIS AT THE OAU? SANU REPLIED NEGATIVELY, THE OAU HAS PRIORITY ISSUES WHICH WILL CONSUME ITS TIME SUCH AS THE QUESTION OF FOREIGN INTERVENTION AND THE LIBERATION OF SOUTHERN AFRICA. BESIDES, A HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION IS VIEWED WITH SUSPICION IN AFRICA. IT IS "A TOUCHY MATTER." IN ANY CASE, HR MUST BE FORMULATED IN A AFRICAN CONTEXT EMBODYING ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL AS WELL AS POLITICAL RIGHTS. DALLEY SAID THE INTER-AMERICAN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION FOR THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE HAD BEEN USEFUL AND HE HOPED THE OAU WOULD CONSULT WITH THE OAS CONCERNING ITS EXPERIENCE. IN ANY CASE, IT WAS IMPORTANT TO CONTINUE THE DISCUSSION.

12. UN DECADE ON RACISM: DALLEY INFORMED SANU THAT THE USG WOULD NOT BE PARTICIPATING IN THE AUGUST MID DECADE MEETING IN GENEVA BECAUSE OF THE LINKAGE MADE IN THE 1975 RESOLUTION BETWEEN ZIONISM AND RACISM. HE HOPED THAT THE LINKAGE WOULD NOT BE REPEATED AT THE GENEVA MEETING, GIVEN ITS IRRELEVANCE TO THE PURPOSE OF THE DECADE, ITS POLITICIZATION OF THE IMPORTANT STRUGGLE AGAINST RACISM, AND THE NEGATIVE IMPACT THAT IT HAS ON US PUBLIC OPINION. A RESTATEMENT OF SUCH A POSITION BY THE AUGUST CONFERENCE WOULD PRECLUDE FURTHER US PARTICIPATION  
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IN THE DECADE OR ANY OTHER UN ACTIVITY ADDRESSING  
THE PROBLEMS OF RACISM OR APARTHEID.

13. SANU REACTED STRONGLY TO THE IDEA THAT THE  
US WOULD NOT BE AT GENEVA. THE LINKAGE HAD NOT  
BEEN MADE AT THE AUGUST 1977 ANTI-APARTHEID MEETING  
IN LAGOS. IT WAS "MOST UNFAIR" FOR THE US TO TAKE  
THIS POSITION AND THE FMG WOULD BE "VERY UPSET" BYT  
IT. GENEVA WAS SIMILAR TO LAGOS. IN FACT, THE  
NIGERIANS HAVE BEEN APPROACHED BY MANY PARTIES  
SUGGESTING THAT COMMISSIONER GARBA CHAIR THE  
GENEVA MEETING. SANU SAID THAT THE NIGERIANS  
WISHED TO AVOID EXACTLY WHAT THE AMERICANS HOPED  
TO AVOID. IN FACT, THE NIGERIANS "HAD STUCK THEIR  
NECKS OUT" IN AUGUST IN LAGOS AND IN MARCH AT  
UNESCO TO PREVENT SUCH A LINKAGE. THE USG ATTITUDE  
WEAKENED NIGERIA'S POSITION. "WHY SHOULD WE CREATE ANTI-NIGERIAN  
FELLINGS AMONG THE ARABS?" US NON-  
PARTICIPATION IN THE GENEVA CONFERENCE WILL MAKE IT  
DIFFICULT, IF NOT IMPOSSIBLE TO MOBILIZE THE AFRICAN  
DELEGATES TO OPPOSE THE ARAB EFFORT TO MAKE REFERENCE TO  
RESOLUTION 3379, SANU ASSERTED. WITHOUT US PARTICI-  
PATION THERE WILL BE NO INCENTIVE FOR THE AFRICANS  
TO OPPOSE THE ARABS. IN FACT, THERE WILL PROBABLY  
BE A GOOD DEAL OF RESENTMENT AGAINST THE US FOR NOT  
PARTICIPATING AFTER THE AFRICAN STATES IN GOOD  
FAITH HAVE WORKED TO AVOID A REPEAT OF RESOLUTION  
3379 IN ORDER TO CONVINCE THE US TO PARTICIPATE.  
IT WAS, HOWEVER, IMPORTANT TO US THAT THE AUGUST  
CONFERENCE CONTRIBUTE TO THE BREAKING OF THE LINK  
SO THAT WE COULD UNDERTAKE A REVIEW OF OUR POLICY  
AND CONSIDER PARTICIPATION IN THE REST OF THE DECADE.  
SANU ADDED THAT IT WAS AN "UNDUE  
THREAT" BY THE AMERICANS TO SAY THEY WOULD NOT PARTICI-  
PATE LATER IF THE LINKAGE WERE MADE IN GENEVA.  
WE WOULD NOT BE IN A POSITION M"TO STICK OUR NECKS  
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OUT IF THE AMERICANS WERE NOT EVEN PRESENT."  
SIMILARLY, NIGERIA HAD WORKED TO PREVENT A REFERENCE  
TO RESOLUTION 3379 AT THE UNESCO CONFERENCE TO  
DRAFT A DECLARATION ON RACE IN MARCH. IF WE DO  
THIS AND SEE THAT IT HAS NO EFFECT ON US PARTICIPATION  
IN THE DECADE, SANU SAID HE WOULD INFORM THE  
NIGERIAN REPRESENTATIVE TO UNESCO THAT HE SHOULD



NOT OPPOSE AN EFFORT BY ARABS TO ATTACH A REFERENCE TO EARLIER RESOLUTIONS AFFECTING THE DECADE TO THE UNESCO DECLARATION AT THE GENERAL CONFERENCE IN THE FALL. DALLEY RESPONDED THAT SUCH A DECISION WILL HAVE DISASTROUS IMPLICATIONS AND URGED CONTINUED DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE US AND NIGERIA ON THIS VITALLY IMPORTANT ISSUE.

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14. DALLEY EXPRESSED U.S. GOVERNMENT APPRECIATION FOR THE CONSTRUCTIVE ROLE PLAYED BY THE NIGERIAN DELEGATION AT THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION IN ACHIEVING THE SIGNIFICANT DETERMINATION THAT THE PATTERN AND PRACTICE OF HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS IN UGANDA WARRANTED INVESTIGATION. WE WERE PLEASED THAT A MAN OF SUCH EMINENCE AS NIGERIA JUSTICE CHARLES D. ONYEAMA HAD AGREED TO TAKE ON THE DIFFICULT ASSIGNMENT AND HOPED THAT HE WOULD BE ABLE TO BEGIN HIS WORK VERY SOON SO THAT HE MIGHT BE ABLE TO MAKE THE NECESSARY INVESTIGATORY TRIPS TO ENABLE HIM TO REPORT ON HIS FINDINGS TO THE NEXT REGULAR SESSION OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION. SANU HASTENED TO SAY THAT HE KNEW OF THE AGREEMENT BY ONYEAMA TO ACCEPT THE ASSIGNMENT FROM THE UN SECRETARIAT, BUT HE WANTED TO MAKE IT CLEAR THAT HE WOULD BE TRAVELING

TO UGANDA IN HIS PRIVATE CAPACITY AND NOT AS A  
REPRESENTATIVE OF THE NIGERIAN GOVERNMENT. HE  
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REITERATED HIS CONCERN THAT NIGERIA NOT BE SEEN  
AS TAKING ON A POSITION OF HUMAN RIGHTS LEADERSHIP  
IN AFRICA AND EXPRESSED HIS RELUCTANCE TO HAVE  
THE FMG ASSOCIATED WITH ACTION THAT COULD BE  
CHARACTERIZED AS INTERVENTION IN THE INTERNAL  
AFFAIRS OF OTHER STATES.

15. HOLLOWAY NOTED THE INTENT TO RESUME THE OVER-  
VIEW COMMITTEE AFTER SEPTEMBER 5 AND INQUIRED WHETHER  
AMB. SANU INTENDED TO REPRESENT HIS GOVERNMENT.  
SHE ADDED THAT IT HAD BEEN US VIEW THAT AT MAY  
MEETING LDC REPRESENTATION FROM CAPITALS WOULD  
SEND REPRESENTATION AT SENIOR MOST LEVELS AND  
THAT THIS HAD TURNED OUT NOT TO BE THE CASE.

16. SANU RESPONDED THAT HE TOO WAS  
SURPRISED AT THE GAP BETWEEN WEO HIGH-LEVEL  
ATTENDANCE IN NY AND LDC REPRESENTATION.  
HOLLOWAY POINTED OUT THE INABILITY TO FULLY  
RESOLVE CERTAIN MATTERS AND THE LDC INSISTENCE  
ON ENSCRIBING WRITTEN COMMIT-  
MENTS INTO A REPORT TO THE GA AS BARRIERS TO THE  
AGREED ROLE OF THE OVERVIEW COMMITTEE. SHE NOTED  
THAT USG WOULD CAREFULLY REVIEW ITS FUTURE  
PARTICIPATION FOLLOWING THE REQUIRED SESSION IN  
SEPTEMBER, ESPECIALLY IN RELATION TO LDC REPRESENT-  
ATION FROM CAPITALS. SANU EXPRESSED HIS KEEN  
INTEREST IN THE OVERVIEW COMMITTEE'S ROLE AND  
STATED HIS CLEAR INTENTION TO COME TO NEW YORK  
PRIOR TO THE UNGA IN ORDER TO HEAD UP NIGERIA'S  
DELEGATION ON THE COMMITTEE.  
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